

“RRAFT ADVISORY COMMITTEE” MEETING 18 SUMMARY

**Monday, September 9, 2008
6:00 – 9:00 PM
Missoula FWP Headquarters
3201 Spurgin Road
Missoula**

- **Opening and Agenda Overview**

- Charlie Sperry ~ FWP Recreation Management Specialist

- Charlie provided a brief overview of the previous meeting before transitioning to the small group exercise.

- **Small Group Exercise (Continued): Developing Trigger Points for Future Management Actions in Reaches 3 and Reach 6.**

- The committee quickly formed small groups and resumed discussions regarding trigger points (conditions that would “trigger” the implementation of additional management actions). One group focused on Reach 3 and the other on Reach 6. The discussions posed challenges for both groups and generated a constructive debate on what triggers should be monitored to ensure quality recreational opportunities for the future. Although these discussions are not yet complete, both groups made progress and generated the following potential indicators for trigger points:

- Number of launches
 - Number of times sites are at or over capacity
 - Negative resource impacts (e.g. litter, new trails, noxious weeds)
 - Trend in the number of citations issued (e.g. DUI, MIP, disorderly conduct, glass containers)
 - Amount of user complaints
 - Degree of user satisfaction

- Both groups still have work to do in developing any remaining indicators and fleshing out the associated triggers and management actions for each indicator. Once work has been completed for reaches 3 and 6, the committee will determine which of the triggers may be applicable in other reaches along the Blackfoot.

- **Meeting Wrap-up**

- The meeting came to a close with both groups sharing highlights from their discussions. Committee members asked for the opportunity to fully review the work of both small groups before advancing any recommendations. As small group work continues, the committee agreed to have FWP staff work between meetings to compile the work of the small groups into a cohesive format for the committee to review. A final full committee review will take place prior to developing final recommendations.

- **Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 PM**

NEXT MEETING

Monday, October 6, 2008
6:00 pm* – 9:00 pm
FWP Region 2 Headquarters
3201 Spurgin Road
Missoula

* Note early start time!